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into contradictions and I understand that. There's always gray area. My personal feeling, without taking too much of your time...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Go ahead.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...would be that there is a process that we go through that you are well familiar with, with General File and Select File, and we need to be able to work with that and sometimes with the number of people that are here at various times, 25 votes is sometimes very difficult even to get even if everyone is supporting the issue. So I think when it gets to certain stages of the game that 25 votes may, in fact, be the only thing necessary to move that bill onward, but when we get to the final analysis, the final results where we're saying do we really want the emergency clause or do we really want this to happen, then the body is aware of that and we know we need to have the 30 votes. So I think the discrepancy is a valid one.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Isn't it possible that on a vote to reconsider there could be enough in the body who would choose to do so but that number would not be present at the time the motion would be voted on?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: That is always correct, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that would be the same thing that you discussed happening on General or Select where there are enough people supporting it but just not enough there above the 25 required to advance it, if you required more than 25 votes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: That is an unfortunate political reality.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Bernard-Stevens, how about a situation where no bill that fails to get 33 votes in moving it across will continue to have the emergency clause? If it has 25 votes on General or Select, it can advance, but it will not have the emergency clause and it must be attached on Final Reading and it must have 33 votes to be attached since it will take 33 to pass it. Would you agree with that?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I would agree with the statement that I heard a senator say years ago that stuck with me when I was a young child and that was that no matter what rule you set, I can